

# Recent CCR Awards



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Robert Wiltout, Ph.D.

## 2010 FLC Laboratory Director of the Year Award

Robert H. Wiltout, Ph.D., Director of CCR, was honored with the 2010 Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer's (FLC) Director of the Year Award on April 29, 2010, in Albuquerque, NM. This competitive and prestigious award is presented annually to directors who have made outstanding contributions supporting technology transfer activities at their federal laboratory for the previous year, and recognizes both the excellence of the recipient's efforts and the facility's technology transfer program.

Dr. Wiltout views the many CCR/NCI technology transfer successes as a team effort that is driven by the ingenuity, perseverance, and commitment of the Center's researchers and their network of collaborators in government, industry, and academia. All of these collaborators work closely together with NIH's technology transfer professionals to accelerate research progress against cancer and AIDS/HIV. Under Dr. Wiltout's leadership, the CCR/NCI has made significant advances in building strong scientific partnerships with public and private institutions and strives to continue to bring new scientific discoveries to the market place.

Under the direction of Dr. Wiltout, CCR has continued to see substantial technology transfer growth, including in the last year alone: 275 active clinical trials, more than 126 active Cooperative Research and Development Agreements with industry, and 120 new commercial licenses. Additionally, CCR's technologies can be found in over 200 licensed products, including several FDA-approved products that were dependent upon contributions from CCR laboratories: AIDS test kit, Fludara, Videx, Hivid, NeuTrexin, Taxol, Vitravene, Velcade, Zevalin, Kepivance, Prezista, and Gardasil.

## 2010 European Association for Cancer Research Young Scientist Award

Bríd Ryan, Ph.D., M.P.H., a Cancer Prevention Fellow in the CCR Laboratory of Human Carcinogenesis working as part of the Ireland-Northern Ireland-National Cancer Institute Cancer Consortium, was awarded the 2010 European Association for Cancer Research Young Scientist Award for her work on asymmetric division of DNA in lung cancer. Dr. Ryan's cancer research career began with her undergraduate work at University College Cork in Ireland and continued during her doctoral studies at St. Vincent's University Hospital in Dublin. She came to NCI in 2007 and continues to work under the mentorship of Dr. Curt Harris.

## Nicolaus Copernicus Medal

Zbigniew Dauter, Ph.D., Chief of the Synchrotron Radiation Research Section of the Macromolecular Crystallography Laboratory at CCR, was awarded the Nicolaus Copernicus Medal—the highest distinction awarded by the Polish Academy of Sciences. The award recognizes Dr. Dauter's contribution to the development of protein crystallographic methodology, in particular in the areas of phasing methods and macromolecular structure at ultimate resolution. Dr. Dauter developed the technique of quick halide soaks ("dauterization") of protein crystals, the exploitation of weak anomalous signals, and the use of single-wavelength anomalous dispersion (SAD) phasing.

## 2010 National Public Service Award

American Society for Public Administration and the National Academy of Public Administration  
*For innovative and sustained contributions to public service and science education*  
**Kenneth H. Kraemer, M.D.**  
 Dermatology Branch

## 2010 SER-CAT Outstanding Science Award

Southeast Regional Collaborative Access Team  
*For the structure of ERA in complex with the 3' end of 16S rRNA: implications for ribosome biogenesis*  
**Xinhua Ji, Ph.D.**  
 Macromolecular Crystallography Laboratory

## 2009 Trisociety Award

Society for Leukocyte Biology, International Society for Interferon and Cytokine Research, and the International Cytokine Society  
*For lifelong contributions to cytokine and chemokine research*  
**Joost Oppenheim, M.D.**  
 Laboratory of Molecular Immunoregulation

## Elected to Association of American Physicians

*Mark Udey, M.D., Ph.D.*  
Dermatology Branch

## Harvard Health Letter Top-10 Health Story 2009

MicroRNA Expression, Survival, and  
Response to Interferon in Liver Cancer  
*Junfang Ji, Ph.D., et al.* NEJM, Vol. 361,  
No. 15:1437-1447. October 2009

## Wick R. Williams Memorial Lecture Award

Fox Chase Cancer Center  
*For pioneering characterization of multiple  
genetic predispositions to kidney cancer  
and, with his colleagues, the cloning of the  
offending genes*  
*W. Marston Linehan, M.D.*  
Chief, Urologic Oncology Branch